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Dear Stakeholder,

On behalf of the New England Governors' Conference, Inc. (NEGC), the U.S. secretariat of the Conference of New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premiers (NEG/ECP), I'm pleased to invite you to participate in the NEG/ECP Forum "Transportation Solutions to Climate Change", to be held December 15, 2006 at the Abromson Center of the University of Southern Maine in Portland, Maine. The NEG/ECP Climate Change Steering Committee is conducting this forum as part of the continuing regional implementation of the NEG/ECP Climate Change Action Plan. This event is being sponsored by the Maine Department of Transportation and the Maine Department of Environmental Protection; the NEGC recognizes and thanks these two agencies for their support.

This important event will bring together environmental and transportation officials, municipal decision-makers, climate change stakeholders, environmental scientists, businesses, and the interested public in a dialogue on transportation policy options to help achieve our region's air emission and carbon reduction goals. The outcomes of the forum will include a series of recommendations on potential transportation initiatives we can pursue in the northeast that will be presented to the governors and premiers at their meeting in June 2007, and also contribute to the identification of regional action items that will take place at the NEG/ECP Ministerial Forum on Energy and the Environment (February 2007).

Please fill out the attached registration form and return it to the NEGC by December 8, 2006 if you'd like to participate in this forum. There is no registration fee but you do need to register in advance to guarantee your attendance. Hotel information is included on the registration form as well.

I look forward to having you join us at the forum and to a very productive discussion.

Regards,

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